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COUNTRY East Germany

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Erfurt-Bindersleben Airfield

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EVALUATION [REDACTED]

PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

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DATE OF CONTENT 24 May to 10 June 1953

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DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE PREPARED 28 July 1953

REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. Between 24 May and 10 June 1953, air activity observed at Erfurt - Bindersleben airfield was light. In the afternoon on 29 May, two elements of two MiG-15s were seen over Erfurt. After landing, the planes were parked near the shrapnel-proof aircraft revetments west of the flight control station. Six MiG-15s were parked there on 29 and 30 May. On 30 May, flying by an element of two swept-back jet fighters and the take-off and landing of one Po-2 were observed. In early June, one Li-2 regularly landed at the field at noon. 1
2. In late May and early June, construction work on the shrapnel-proof aircraft revetments continued. On 10 June, about 100 soldiers with red-bordered black epaulets were engaged in this work. Trucks hauled boards and beams to the construction site.
3. Yellow signboards showing a black triangle were posted on the road from the airfield to Erfurt east and west of the quartering buildings. After 5 June, the Bindersleben-Allach road was blocked in a length of 3 km west of the field. No construction work was observed at this road section.
4. On 5 June, a gun practice drill was observed in the AA gun emplacement. 2

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. An alert flight of the fighter division in Merseburg is believed to be still stationed at Erfurt-Bindersleben airfield.

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The AA gun emplacement which was reported previously is located at the southwestern edge of the field.

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